

# 1st4sport Level 2 Certificate in the Principles of Horse Care



## Qualification Specification

<b>Qualification Overview:</b>	This qualification provides learners with the knowledge and understanding of how to look after horses and carry out general stable management routines.						
<b>Qualification Code:</b>	601/4893/7	<b>Level:</b>	2	<b>Age:</b>	14+	<b>Registration Period:</b>	2 Years
<b>Guided Learning (GL):</b>	72	<b>Total Qualification Time (TQT):</b>	129	<b>Credit Value:</b>	13	<b>Operational From:</b>	01 December 2014
<b>Progression Opportunities</b>	Achievement of this qualification will help learners progress to employment in the equine care industry. Learners will also be able to progress onto the <i>1st4sport Level 3 Certificate in the Principles of Horse Care &amp; Management</i> .						

Qualification Objective
<b>What does this qualification cover?</b>
This qualification provides learners with the knowledge and understanding of how to look after horses and carry out general stable management routines. It is a theory based qualification, supporting growth and development for learners.
<b>Who is the qualification for?</b>
This qualification is designed for individuals who wish to work with horses.
<b>Who supports this qualification?</b>
This qualification is supported by the BHA as the trade association and employers for Horseracing in the UK. Technical experts from within the BHA have provided technical advice in the development of the qualification.
Qualification Progression
<b>What future education could this qualification lead to?</b>
Learners will also be able to progress onto the: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1st4sport Level 2 Diploma in Work based Racehorse Care</li> <li>• 1st4sport Level 3 Certificate in the Principles of Horse Care &amp; Management</li> </ul>
<b>What future employment could this qualification lead to?</b>
Achievement of the <i>1st4sport Level 2 Certificate in the Principles of Horse Care</i> will help learners to progress to the following job roles in the equine industry: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stable Staff/Groom</li> <li>• Stable Yard Assistant</li> <li>• Trainee Riding Instructor</li> </ul>

Qualification Achievement
<b>Entry Requirements for the Qualification</b>
The Recognised Centre is required to conduct an initial assessment of learners to ensure that the prerequisites to registration and certification are considered and the outcome recorded during the application process.
Prior to registration learners are required to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• be at least 14 years old</li> <li>• have been accurately identified</li> <li>• able to communicate effectively in English (listening, speaking, reading and writing).</li> </ul>
There are no additional prerequisites to certification other than the successful completion of the required assessments.
<b>How is the Qualification Achieved?</b>
Achievement of this qualification is normally through attendance on a structure programme of learning and assessment.
<b>What will be assessed?</b>
This qualification is assessed through a Multiple Choice test set externally by 1st4sport Qualifications consisting of 60 questions. Learners will have one hour to complete their test and must achieve a minimum of 70% in each section, and in the paper overall, to pass.
<b>How will it be assessed?</b>
This qualification contains a range of units to be completed by the learner. Each unit is comprised of a number of learning outcomes and identified assessment criteria to be completed.
Learning Outcomes that begin 'The learner will <b>understand...</b> ' will be assessed through theory based activities.
Learning Outcomes that begin 'The learner will <b>be able to...</b> ' are assessed through practical activities.
For example:

Learning outcomes The learner will:	Assessment criteria The learner can:
1 <b>understand</b> how to ensure participants' safety during sport specific coaching sessions	1.1 describe the health and safety requirements that are relevant to planned sport-specific activities and competition.  1.2 describe how to structure coaching sessions to minimise the risk of injury to participants.
2 <b>be able to</b> prepare resources for the coaching session	2.1 ensure that the identified resources meet the requirements of the activity.

### Qualification Delivery

#### What workforce is needed to be able to deliver this qualification?

The recognised centre is required to have a qualified and competent qualification workforce in place which includes as a minimum.

- a qualification administrator
- a qualification coordinator
- an appropriately qualified tutor/ assessor:
- an appropriately qualified internal quality assurer

Further information on workforce requirements are available from 1st4sport Qualifications on request.

#### What facilities are needed to be able to deliver this qualification?

The recognised centre is required to have one or more delivery sites which contain facilities to support the programme of learning and assessment. These must comply with *Health and Safety in the Racing and Breeding Industry* and have in place appropriate access arrangements. All training and/or assessment sites must include the following facilities:

- A practical space to be used for learning and assessment activities
- A theory space which may include a classroom. This must contain multimedia facilities such as data projector and laptop, flip chart and pens.
- Examination facilities. These must have:
  - minimum levels of outside noise
  - no display material that may aid learners
  - a reliable clock. Where two or more clocks exist, these must display the same time
  - centre number and start and finish times of the exam clearly on display for seating arranged in a manner to prevent learners overlooking fellow learners, ideally on separate desks
  - signs displayed to alert others to an exam in progress

#### What equipment is needed to be able to deliver this qualification?

The recognised centre is required to have equipment in place to facilitate the full programme of assessment which must comply with *The Health and Safety at Work Act (1974)* and other directives.

The recognised centre is required to ensure that all learners wear appropriate apparel for the tasks they undertake.

What qualification materials support this qualification?
<p>This qualification is supported by a number of additional documents which must be read by all relevant personnel within recognised centres approved to offer this qualification. These include the <i>1st4sport Level 2 Certificate in the Principles of Horse Care</i>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Qualification Handbook</i>, detailing the 1st4sport Qualification Approval Conditions and the Delivery, Assessment and Quality Assurance Approach for this qualification</li> <li>• <i>Unit Specifications</i>, detailing the Learning Outcomes and Assessment criteria for the qualification</li> </ul>
How much does this qualification cost?
<p>Qualification registration and certification fees are available from 1st4sport Qualifications on request. Centres need to factor in facility and workforce costs in order to determine a Qualification Fee for learners.</p>
How to apply to deliver this qualification
<p>Contact 1st4sport Qualifications, requesting qualification approval for the <i>1st4sport Level 2 Certificate in the Principles of Horse Care</i>:</p> <p>Tel: 0113 290 7610            Email: <a href="mailto:enquiries@1st4sportqualifications.com">enquiries@1st4sportqualifications.com</a>            Website: <a href="http://www.1st4sportqualifications.com">www.1st4sportqualifications.com</a></p>

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### Qualification Structure (Rule of Combination)

To qualify for the *1st4sport Level 2 Certificate in the Principles of Horse Care*, learners must successfully complete all 6 mandatory units to achieve the qualification and a total of 13 credits must be obtained. Achievement of the qualification is normally through attendance on a course of training and successful completion of assessment tasks.

### Mandatory Units

Unit Title	Level	Credit	GL	Reference	Assessment Method(s)
Principles of stable routines	2	2	20	R/602/4574	Multiple Choice Examination
Principles of basic horse health and welfare	2	2	20	T/602/4583	Multiple Choice Examination
Principles of watering and feeding horses	2	2	20	R/602/4588	Multiple Choice Examination
Principles of care and fitting of saddlery and horse clothing	2	2	20	Y/602/4589	Multiple Choice Examination
Principles of employment rights and responsibilities in the land based industries	2	2	15	J/602/5253	Multiple Choice Examination
Principles of health and safety in the horse industry	2	3	26	L/602/4590	Multiple Choice Examination

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